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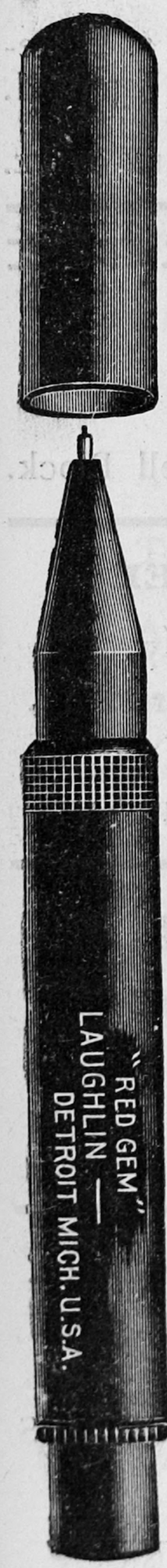

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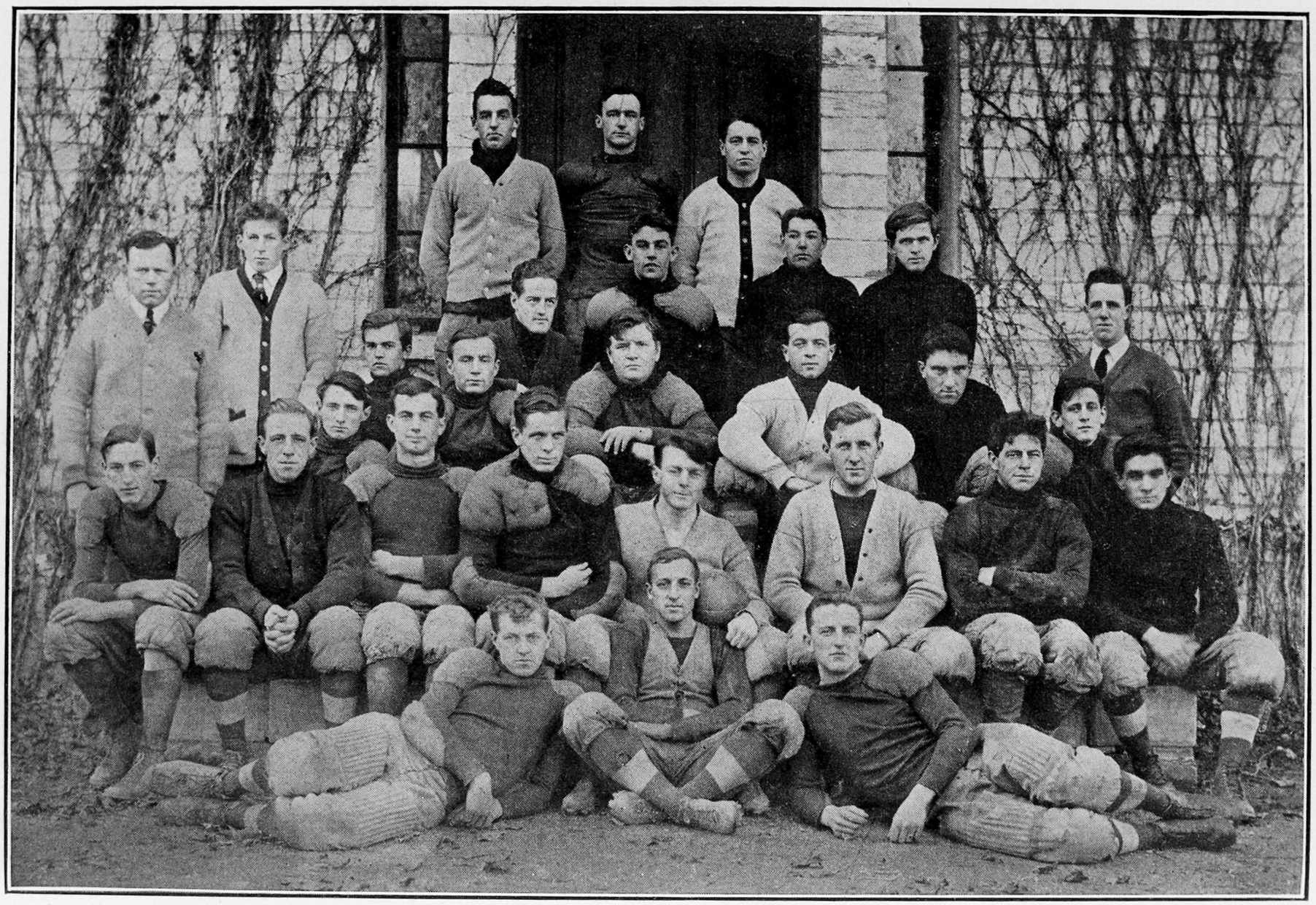

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EDITORIAL.

THE new college year opened on September 24, under a new presidency and the most favorable conditions. Nearly all of the three upper classes were back to take up their work again, and with seventy-five in the entering class, the total enrollment this year reaches two hundred and twenty. Everyone entered into the work with new zeal and energy after the pleasant summer vacation. It certainly was a happy moment to reach Middlebury once more and find a hearty welcome waiting. No one could help feeling a thrill of pride and love when he once more looked upon the dear old College overlooking the broad and beautiful campus.. Everyone knows that the College is growing and will continue to grow. This year, with the change of administration, everyone feels that he must do all he can to make this new epoch in our glorious history even better than those before. This new spirit was greatly increased by the address of President Thomas at the first meeting of the term, when the whole College assembled in the Congregational Church.

THE PRESIDENT'S GREETING.

On the first morning of the term the whole college gathered in the Congregational Church and, together with a large number of alumni and citizens of the town, listened to the address of President Thomas. It was

necessary to hold this meeting in the church because the number of students is now so large that we have no assembly hall on the hill large enough to accommodate all. The address of President Thomas was as follows:

Three months ago, on this day of the month and in this place, the ancient parchment charter of Middlebury College, the original document issued by the Legislature of Vermont, was placed in my hands, and I was formally inaugurated the ninth President of Middlebury. The large body of Alumni present, the many distinguished guests representing other educational institutions and the leading public interests of the State, and the numerous friends of the College from this and other towns, gave to the occasion a dignity and seriousness which those who participated in it will not soon forget. Important and impressive as that event was, it but little surpassed in significance and importance our present meeting. I am now face to face for the first time with those for whom and with whom I must chiefly labor. I did not come to Middlebury College for the sake of its Alumni, nor yet for its friends and supporters, but for the sake of the students. You, who are before me, brought me here, and you have my success or my failure in your keeping. If I fail with you, I can not win for Middlebury; if I win with you, no man knoweth the achievements and glories which are hereafter in store for the College of which from now on each one of you is a part. I wish this morning to make this fact clear, and I shall speak to you therefore on "The Student and the College."

An American College is a complex organism. Legally it consists of a certain number of citizens to whom the State has granted a charter, and who are empowered to hold its property, administer its affairs, and confer its degrees. The legal or corporate title of Middlebury is "The President and Fellows of Middlebury College." A bequest to "Middlebury College" would not stand in law, if contested. The law knows no such body, but only "The President and Fellows of Middlebury College." In our charter a certain company of citizens were named as the orginal incorporators, and they were granted the absolute power to elect their successors, the number being unlimited. As at present constituted the Corporation of this College consists of nineteen men, most of them Alumni, chosen for business ability and administrative judgment. They have charge of the property of the College; they decide as to the erection of new buildings or the repairs or alterations of old ones; they elect the Professors, and determine the general policy of the institution as to courses of study and departments of work. The Trustees of Middlebury, despite their many other interests, devote much time to the College. During the past year four special meetings have been held, three of them in New York. A few weeks ago a meeting was held in the President's office in the chapel; the Governor of the State was present, and the elected Lieutenant Governor. One member made a special trip from New York for the purposes of the meeting, and the entire body devoted a whole afternoon to a consideration of Middlebury's interests.

The Faculty of the College are the

representatives of the Trustees in the actual work of instruction. They are chosen for special knowledge and skill in their several departments, and their duty is to devote their utmost strength and ability to make the work of the College efficient. In the public eye a College is judged largely by its teaching force: an institution with skillful instructors is accounted good; one whose teachers are incompetent or indifferent is looked down upon as unworthy. A College is rich and strong which has men who can teach, and sooner or later must come to its own in the possession of buildings and equipment needful to its work.

But while in the thought of the public the College is its Faculty, and in the eyes of the law it is the incorporated body of Trustees, in the purpose for which it lives the College consists of its students. The welfare of the student body inspires every deliberation of the legal holders of College property. The improvement in mind and in character in those who are under him measures the worth, and determines the career, of each member of the teaching force. The initiative in all College improvement and advance rests with its students. What you need and what you will use is what will be done. In the long run the students of a College can have what they want, in so far as their wants lie along the line of the true growth and usefulness of a College. Nothing can withstand an earnest, healthful, and rightful student demand, and without the demands of its students no College can make progress.

This may sound extravagant to you, but let me tell you of an attempt for Middlebury in which I failed. One of the largest benefactors in recent American education is Mr. Andrew Carnegie. I have had long personal acquaintance with an intimate friend of Mr. Carnegie, and this friend consented very willingly to submit to Mr. Carnegie my appeal for $100,000 to strengthen our work in the natural and physical sciences. A full statement of the resources of the College was requested, and also of the number of students. My friend assured Mr. Carnegie that I was a "first-rate good fellow", but he replied, "That may all be, but his case must stand upon its merits." My statement showed that we had an endowment of over $400,000, a plant valued at $233,000, and that our income from students last year was only $1080, on tuition account. Virtually he said to me, "If that's all your students think of their College, I don't think you need help from me." And what could I say?

I still hope that Mr. Carnegie may some day be a benefactor of Middlebury College, but if he gives to us it will be on the basis of a new record, and that record must be made largely by Middlebury students.

Perhaps it ought not to be so, but modern benevolence is conducted on strict business principles. Men who give largely, who add immense sums to the endowment of educational institutions, do not give in response to eloquent appeals. It is not a matter of favoritism, or personal friendship, or fortunate introduction. It is cool business calculation of what can be done with the money. An efficient College on an endowment of $400,000 is sure to receive help to increase its efficiency. A College which is rendering adequate educational returns

on a property of $10,000,000 is bound to experience further prosperity. It is neither wealth nor poverty which attracts educational investment, but effectiveness in the educational product, that is, the student. When there can be said to us, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things", there will also come the command, "Be thou ruler over many things."

An order is likely to go out at any time in the city of New York to some bright, discerning man to make an investigation of Middlebury College. I do not know that such an investigation will be made, but I know that before certain things happen which we all want to happen, inquiry will be made on the ground as to the work of our College. A stranger will register at the Addison House, and before many hours he will have talked casually with twenty people. He will ask about me: how I spend my time, what I do vacations, what sort of a man I am, anyhow. He will find out what kind of Professors we have at Middlebury College, and he will see for himself how we keep our buildings and grounds, and make his own estimate of the variety of student we encourage here, and what he is getting out of the College. He will come, and he will go, and we shall perhaps never know, except that we were fortunate enough to be included in the benefactions of some large giver, or that for some unaccountable reason other Colleges were favored, and we were not. With Colleges, as with men, merit wins. There may be dark days; the reward may be long in coming; others may reap the harvest where we have sown the seed; but a gritty, persistent fight for better things, doing all the time the best we can with the means we have, will some day secure its reward. Middlebury College can not prosper forever on Silas Wright and John G. Saxe. The old-time worthies count for less than sometimes we imagine. The question is, What kind of business are you doing to-day? Are you getting the enthusiasm of your students, and are you making men of them such as the world at present needs? I trust that we of the Faculty are alive to our part in the answer to this question, but it certainly can not be satisfactorily answered without student co-operation. The future progress of Middlebury depends upon its students to a very large degree.

For myself, I feel that my arm is just as strong as you men before me make it. Give me a manly spirit in the student body, cleanness and integrity of life, industry and application in the pursuit of truth, fairness and honor in your dealings one with another and with the College, and I know I can strike blows that will tell. On the other hand, deal meanly by the College, be shiftless and careless in your bearing and conduct, skimp all you can and remain utter strangers to ennobling ambition and the deep love of power and of truth, and you will palsy my every effort, and render me stammering and abashed whenever I set forth to find a friend.

I can plead for a small College. I think I could plead for one man—one man with the love of truth in his heart, with ambition to do a man's work in the world and do it well, struggling up out of poverty and narrow environment to make himself an

equal in mental power with the best men of his age. If that shall be the typical man of Middlebury, I can do my work. But without that student back of me, representative of the entire student body, I can kindle no fire; I can not even believe in my own case.

I can not work for a crowd of loafers. I can not do much for a flock of silly imitators of the senseless customs of other places. I can work for Middlebury: Middlebury ideals and worthy traditions; Middlebury men and women. That is what I ask you to be.

I want to put this principle to a somewhat severe test immediately, in the matter of the amount of money received by the College for tuition. I wish to take you into my confidence, and declare frankly the exact situation in which I find the College, and then I wish you to help me find the remedy. I hold that the students are an integral part of the College, responsible for its welfare, and I propose to deal with you on that level.

As I stated some time ago, the amount received by the College from students on tuition account the last year was $1080. That was an average of about $5 each. A large number received scholarship grants, and most of these were to the amount of ~~$80,~~ or full tuition. Now if the College had scholarship funds yielding an income sufficient to pay the tuition of these students, there would be nothing to say, except perhaps that it is an unwise use of money to pay bills for people who can afford to pay them themselves. Nevertheless if we had trust funds for the benefit of students sufficient to yield tuition for all, there would be nothing to do but to assign the scholarships to those who applied for them. That, however, is not the case. We have quite a arge scholarship fund, I think a generous one, but it is by no means sufficient to yield us $15,000, which is approximately the amount of tuition chargeable, less the cash received from students. We receive from the State of Vermont $2400 annually, which pays full tuition of $80 for 30 Vermont students. We received last year as income from our student benefits $4077.00, which pays full tuition for 51 students. We can therefore give full scholarships to 81 students, and we ought not in right to do more. As a matter of fact we have done more for several years, and last year there was something over $8,000 chargeable to students on tuition account which the College did not receive. The scholarships were assigned, but the College did not get the money.

Now I am put here to give the College a good business administration. It certainly is not good business to give away money which you do not have. In some way, either from the State, or invested funds, or from the students themselves, the College ought to receive $80 for every student within its halls. That charge is not unreasonable. It is only half what the College spends for the student. It costs the Corporation about $160 a year to take care of each one of you. Eighty dollars a year is only about $2 a College week, and that is rather a low charge for what you receive.

To remit so much tuition is unjust to the students who pay. If we could have the $8000 which last year we did not have, we could provide at least four more Professors, and the benefit

in every department of our work would be great.

Our scholarships are assigned annually. They are renewable from year to year, not holding over, except in the case of State Scholarships. The only thing for me to do, therefore, is to adjust the matter for the coming year with each student, bringing the amount of scholarships assigned just as near as possible to the amount of scholarship money received. I must wipe out that $8000 tuition remitted just as soon as I can. Every one of you in my place would do the same, and you would not respect me as an administrator of College affairs were I to do otherwise.

Now I do not want to be unjust, or even unkind, to any student. I recognize the traditional policy of Middlebury of especial encouragement to the men of small means. In my judgment this is Middlebury's glory, and I have come here to give my life to just this work. I want to find the golden mean, on the one hand doing even justice to the College and promoting her interests—and that you want me to do—and on the other hand helping every one of you all that I can and ought.

I hope there will be not a few of you, who, when learning these facts, will not apply for a renewal of your scholarship. If I do not hear from you before October 15, I will understand you have so decided. If you feel you should have the help, come to see me before that date. I will be in my office in the College each morning, when I am in town, and I will deal fairly, and I trust kindly, by you, as I ask you to deal fairly by me and the College.

This request does not apply to those with whom I have already adjusted the matter, nor to freshmen whose applications for this year have been decided.

I may say that I think the income from tuitions can be increased $4000 the present year, without undue hardship upon any one, and if you will help me to do this, it will be student co-operation for the welfare of the College of the most effective sort.

On this subject I wish to say further that all scholarships are granted, according to the terms of the application, subject to the rules of the institution. The applicant pledges himself to be obedient to College rules and to conduct himself becomingly. Failure to keep this pledge forfeits the scholarship in theory, and it will forfeit it hereafter in fact, if I am able to keep my word. I recognize the hardship that will be imposed by enforcement of this rule, not only upon students, but also upon parents. I hope you will also recognize it, and recognize it in time, and govern yourselves accordingly.

Further, a scholarship ought to stand for at least a decent grade of scholarly attainment. By vote of the Faculty, when a student incurs more than one condition in any term, one-third of his annual scholarship appropriation is thereby forfeited. The standard ought to be very much higher; it is in most Colleges; this much certainly is not unjust.

Another matter in which I desire to petition for earnest student co-operation is that of earnest and conscientious application to College work. You will find me a bit old-fashioned now and then, and one old fogy idea which

I cherish is that a College is an academic institution and a place of learning. I can not give up the notion that a student ought to come to College to study, and that if he will not study, or can not find anything in the curriculum worth studying, it is unkind to keep him in College. Many a man is spoiled in College, and goes utterly to rack and ruin, and this happens, I believe, because he does not do what he is supposed to do. A young man in a bank who utterly neglects his work, not only never becomes a banker, but, if he is allowed to continue his practices, becomes unfitted for anything else, and makes shipwreck of his character. To continue in College and not attend to College work is worse than useless, and I hope to have conscience and grit enough not to allow any of you to spoil yourselves that way.

Undoubtedly a College is far more than a place of recitations, text-books, and lectures. There are certain general influences that come from the communal life of the student body which are invaluable. Often graduates look back upon these as more beneficent in effect upon character than anything they learned in recitation room or laboratory. Here is where a separate College community, like our own, has a great advantage over a city University, where students live at home and see little of each other. But I feel that these very College influences are not secured unless there permeates the student body a wholesome respect for scholarship and an attitude of dilligent application to College tasks. An Oxford man receives the Oxford stamp because he has breathed the Oxford atmosphere, in which the thoughts of Plato and Aristotle and the great masters of English speech and English deed exert their mighty sway. Unless we can create here a Middlebury atmosphere, which stimulates and instructs by reason of respect for knowledge, our general College influence will be of small worth.

It is a great thing to be educated, to develop manhood power by contact with the great minds who have discovered truth and wrought noble deeds for the uplift of their fellowmen. It is a great thing to know, to be master of the facts which have been brought to light in Biology, Chemistry, and Physics. There is no short cut to such attainment. It can not be secured by lying on a sofa reading Munsey's Magazine, nor by cultivating one's social graces. You have to work your way through the very difficult obstacle of the foreign languages, ancient and modern, in which many of the treasures of knowledge are enshrined. You can't be a chemist without mastering the German declensions, for the reason that the greatest chemists have been Germans. You can't be an engineer without severe application to the higher mathematics. A College course is all too short for what should be attained by it, since the field of knowledge in all departments has been so tremendously increased. If Middlebury is to be the maker of men we want her to be, Middlebury's present men must work.

I do not believe that you question these assertions. I feel, rather, that you honestly desire to do good College work. The difficulty comes in the many interests foreign to study which claim one's attention and time.

If I were to make appointments with 100 of you in the waking hours of tomorrow, on business requiring fifteen minutes with each one, I should make a ridiculous failure of the day, no matter how honest my purpose to meet you all and how sincere my endeavor to keep my promise to see you. Similarly, if one of you obligates himself to social, athletic, and fraternal affairs, and enterprises for the good of the College, sufficient to occupy his time to the full, no amount of good purpose to work will be of much account. We have enough students now to attend to all legitimate College affairs without any one sacrificing to them time which should be given to other things, and it is for each student to exercise his commonsense in deciding how much outside work he can do consistently with his duty as a student, and abide by that determination.

A student usually comes to College with good purposes and high ideals. Unfortunately he comes also with a good many other things, a whole collection of clumsy appurtenances, which it is partially the duty of student discipline to remove. There is probably no period of life in which one's ideas of things in general change more rapidly and more radically than in the four years of college. That is largely the advantage of a college course. It constitutes its opportunity, and it constitutes also its peril. While so much is being learned and unlearned, while his mind is taking in so many new lessons, and new habits and new views and opinions are forming so rapidly, the danger is that a student will learn the very things he ought not to learn, and throw away the things he ought not to throw away, until there is no health in him. Let me say therefore to the new men that they would do well not to throw over too quickly the principles they have been taught to honor, nor the habits they have held as right. You have come into a new community, with new usages and new customs. On the whole it will be wise for you to conform to your new environment. You will gain little from College if you remain in isolation and chronic protest. You want to be a College man, and not a prep-school boy. Nevertheless you have a right to retain your own judgment, and you will be wise to keep your conscience. You need not make a fool of yourself because you are told it is the thing to do. In nonessentials get along without friction; in principles stand by your manhood. The counsels of the Book of Proverbs hold just as good in College as out of it, and from Freshman to Senior the inevitable law will hold, "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

The battle of life will never be more severe than in your College days. There is a deal of fun in College, but there is also no small quantity of hardship. I incline to think it is harder to be a good student than it is to be a good man outside. You will never stand in direr need of your principles, your ideals, and your grit, than in your College days. If you keep them unsullied and undiminished, you have fought your way over the hardest ground to life's victory. Get into the fight with your might; win every skirmish if you can; and yet remember after all that defeat in a skirmish is not the loss of the battle. Many a Sophomore who has reason to be

ashamed of himself comes out a very creditable Senior.

I wish to ask the charity and co-operation of the whole College in the matter of College discipline. This is new business for me, and I am very sure to make mistakes. In some cases I am likely to be too lenient, in others too severe. I will do the best I can to be just and fair by all and in all circumstances, and if any of you suffer injustice, I will ask you to be patient.

I have a few ideas which I will be bold enough to announce, and I pray for grace to stand by them. I will tolerate no tale-bearing, and I will never ask a student to prove his innocence, or even assert it. I will not employ any janitor or servant of the College as a spy. If a man is fairly caught, he shall have the punishment which the good of the College demands, but I will try not to catch him unfairly. I want to do great things for Middlebury College. I want to have my time free to interest the outside public in our needs and opportunities. I want you to give me my hours day after day that I may study and work to discover ways and means to make our College better. I can not do these things if you force me to spend my time in annoying matters of College order. Every day you take from me in trying cases, and ferreting out breaches of discipline, you steal from my time for the promotion of College interests. Let our College life go on smoothly and regularly, that whatever strength there is in me may go to building up a better Middlebury.

There is one particular matter which I would like to submit to your sense of what is right. For a number of years past it has been the custom of one of the under classes to fly an emblem above the dome of the chapel. It is no old-maidish notion that that particular stunt is extremely hazardous to those who undertake it. In clear day-light, and with suitable apparatus, it is a perfectly feasible carpenter's job to reach the very top of the rod, but at night, undertaken by a crowd working excitedly, hurriedly, and in fear of detection, it is not a task which any prudent man ought to assume. I have the word of men experienced in building, perfectly accustomed to working at great heights, that it is not a job for any man working at night. Now our chapel was built in 1836, and it is no trick at all to force an entrance. One of my first days in the President's office one of the janitors entered the room, poked around in one corner, and brought out a key. He explained that it was the key to the belfry, and they kept it there so the boys wouldn't find it. Now if I knew of any three men who couldn't get through that battered door and up into the belfry, I would suspend them for incompetency. I have given orders that the belfry remain unlocked; until further orders you can go up there for the view whenever you like. I ask you most respectfully not to run the risk of darkening the beginning of my work with you by a terrible accident, and if you will keep the dome clear of any lesser emblems during the present year, I will do my best to prevail upon the Alumni of the College to provide at next commencement, to fly continuously from the extreme height of our graceful chapel, the flag

of the State of Vermont, the only flag that belongs there.

I expect during the year to provide from time to time, if possible once a month, a lecture or address by some one eminent for achievement or for knowledge of a particular subject. We are somewhat isolated in Middlebury, and I feel that we should have occasionally tidings by word of mouth from the active world outside. I want to get men of the different professions to tell us of the opportunities in the work in which they are engaged, and how best a man can prepare himself to meet them. Our honored townsman and veteran trustee, Senator Stewart, has consented to address us on "Reminiscences of the Older Middlebury." Next March Mr. Frank D. Boynton, Superintendent of Schools in Ithaca, N. Y., one of the most prominent men in public school work in the State of New York, will come here to lecture to the College. These lectures will be open to the public, and I trust they will serve to cement good feeling between the College and the community.

I have an announcement of special importance to Seniors, but not without interest to the entire College. Some time ago Mr. Edward T. Fairfield of Rutland, Editor of the Rutland Evening News, sent word to me that he would like to do something for Middlebury, and for the Class of 1909 in particular, in recognition of the fact that his grandfather, Rev. Micaiah Fairfield, was a graduate of the College 100 years ago, in the Class of 1809. After conference with Mr. Fairfield it has been arranged that he will present $20 in gold to each of two students of the Class of 1909, a young lady and a young gentleman, who in the combined judgment of the Faculty and their class-mates have rendered most useful service to the College during their Senior year. The basis of the determination will be as follows:

(1.) Thorough and painstaking scholarship, not only in the minutiae of the subjects pursued, but also in the broad principles of science and literature. (2.) The furtherance of a healthful and enthusiastic College spirit, including influence in the direction of high moral ideals and worthy purposes, and in general such conduct as will promote the truest manhood in the student body. (3.) Influence outside the College in extending her good name among those who should be her friends, and directing incoming students to Middlebury. (4.) Athletic skill and sound physical development, with regard for the good name of the College for fairness and fair play as well as for ability to win, and with due attention to such physical culture as shall enable one to do his work in life well.

The class will be asked to name three persons, i. e., three men and three women, who in their judgment have fulfilled these ideas most worthily, and from the three the Faculty will select those who shall receive the prizes. It would seem to me that every member of the College might well take these specifications as constituting ideals towards which he will earnestly strive.

I trust we shall begin the year with good College spirit, and that as the weeks draw on we shall come closer together as sons of the same College, loyal to her interests and jealous of

her good name. The College is greater than any part of the College, and every part flourishes most healthfully when the College as a whole is most dearly loved and most faithfully served. It is not fraternal, it cannot be thought brotherly, to be hostile or unneighborly to any number of others. As College men and College women it is Middlebury that claims our fealty, and no combination we make for closer friendship should diminish aught our affection and our service for the College as a whole.

I shall endeavor to administer the affairs of the College in a frank and open manner, as far as possible taking you into my confidence in all my hopes and efforts. I want you to work and plan with me to build up a better Middlebury. I want you to tell me your ideas; I will gladly listen to your criticisms and suggestions. If the College is not doing for you what it ought, I want to know it. If its arrangements and regulations are not just, I ask you to show me why. I can not do for you all I would like, but if you will help me, I can do better for those who come after you. In various ways, perhaps, other colleges could place more at your service, but there is a great deal of education in helping a College grow. It is more blessed to give than to receive, and it has a larger influence on character, and induces greater personal power. I offer you the chance to give to Middlebury, to give to her honorable performance of duty as a student, and you will find that you receive far more than you bestow. You may have been in a rear car in a railway train, tired and restless in the dull occupation of a passenger in a dusty, swaying car, when perhaps, as the train rounded a curve, you caught sight of the engine, throbbing its way up the grade, and your interest was immediately quickened, and you felt you had a part in the progress of the train. I invite you this morning up with me into the engine cab; I want you to feel the thrill of the throttle. The grade is heavy and the climb is long, but up at the top is a better Middlebury, in which it will be good to have a part.

IN THE PUBLIC EYE.

PRESIDENT EZRA BRAINERD.

Among the new books of merit recently published by the American Book Company, one of the best is Gray's New Manual of Botany. For several years there has been an increasing call for a new edition of this book, and now the seventh edition has just been printed. This edition has been largely re-written and, while it has all the merits of former editions, it has been greatly enlarged and brought into harmony with the views of the most advanced botanists. One of the greatest changes has been made with the genus Viola. The work on this genus has been carried on by President Brainerd, who has made an exhaustive study of of it and has made many new and valuable discoveries. He has revised this part of the book, and one of the clearest and most complete parts of the book is written by him on this genus Viola.

DR. M. ALLEN STARR.

In this age of progress in scientific research, one of the greatest advances has been made in the study of the

deadly lockjaw. Much of this advance is due to the scholarly and painstaking study made by one of the trustees of Middlebury College, Dr. M. Allen Starr, the distinguished New York physician and professor of neurology in Columbia University. In the July number of *Harper's Magazine* he has a most interesting article on the subject.

The purpose of the paper is to justify animal experimentation—commonly called vivisection—by showing how essentially it has contributed to the advancement of medical science in recent times. As Dr. Starr points out, the sacrifice of lower animals involved in such experiments does not equal in a whole year throughout the world the number of animals killed at Chicago in a single day for food, or the number of animals destroyed by hunters and trappers for the sake of their fur.

One of the most valuable discoveries due to vivisection is the antitoxin which has proved so efficient in the treatment of tetanus. We quote what Dr. Starr says on this subject:

"Lockjaw, or tetanus, is quite common in this country, where in certain special localities the germ of the disease is constantly present in the soil. This is particularly true along the seashore in Long Island, in New Jersey, in the Southern States, and all about the Great Lakes. It has been thought that the fertilization of the ground by decayed fish or fish bones and shells was responsible for the presence of the organism causing lockjaw. This germ can be inoculated into horses, and from the serum of their blood an antitoxin can be obtained which if injected into the blood of a person suffering from tetanus at once relieves the symptoms. Formerly there were several hundred deaths from lockjaw in America every year. Now such deaths are rarely recorded."

JOHN C. SCOFIELD.

In view of the responsible position to which he has recently been appointed at Washington, the following sketch of the life of a successful alumnus is timely:

Mr. John C. Scofield was born on his father's farm in Pittsford, Vt., December 27, 1860. He was educated in the public schools at Philadelphia and at Middlebury, Vt. He graduated from Middlebury College in the Class of 1880, and was a member of the Chi Psi college fraternity. After graduation he went to Eastman, Dodge County, Georgia, to become the cashier and bookkeeper in a winter resort hotel of which his father was the proprietor. Subsequently he accepted the position of Principal of Eastman Academy.

While holding this position he took the United States civil service examination, and on June 3, 1884, came to Washington, having been appointed a $1,000 clerk in the office of the Surgeon General of the Army, where he remained for about six years, reaching the grade of $1,400. Early in 1890 he was transferred to the office of the Secretary of War by Secretary Proctor. Passing successively through the different grades, he was promoted July 1, 1898, to the position of chief clerk to the Assistant Secretary of War, and in March, 1899, he was again promoted to the position of chief clerk of the War Department.

While performing his duties in the War Department, Mr. Scofield learned stenography and typewriting, and, taking up the study of law, graduated from the Columbian University in Washington, D. C. Subsequently he passed the bar examination and was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.

Mr. Scofield was appointed by the Secretary of War as representative of the War Department on the United States Government Board for the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, held at St. Louis, Mo., in 1904, for the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition, at Portland, Oregon, in 1905, and for the Jamestown Exposition, Virginia, in 1907.

Mr. Scofield's promotion to the new position of Assistant and Chief Clerk created for him by Congress at the last session, became effective July 1. The following is a clipping from the *Evening Star:*

Under special authority of the legislative appropriation bill just approved, Mr. John C. Scofield, chief clerk of the War Department, has been appointed "assistant and chief clerk" of the War Department at a salary of $4,000 a year, to take effect July 1.

The new title adding the word "assistant" created by Congress is interpreted as adding a second assistant secretary of war and relieves a situation which has been found embarrassing whenever in the absence of both the secretary and assistant secretary it was necessary for the ranking army officer on duty in the department to act in the capacity of secretary. In such a case, should the officer detailed as chief of staff be ranked by some other officer, a snarl in the final approval of orders might easily be the consequence.

Mr. Scofield entered the War Department as a clerk just twenty-four years ago. His advancement has been continuous, and in the recommendation to Congress for his promotion Secretary Taft commented strongly on his qualifications and achievements.

FRANK D. BOYNTON.

Many of our graduates become teachers of repute, but not many attain as high a position as Frank D. Boynton, '91, of Ithaca. The following is a clipping from the Ithaca *Daily Journal* of October 16:

Frank D. Boynton, principal of the Ithaca High School, and Superintendent of Public Schools, was elected president of the Council of State Superintendents by acclamation at Binghampton to-day, according to a dispatch received here this morning. The high honor was accorded Professor Boynton at the close of the session of the Council in Binghampton and shows that his good work in the local schools has been appreciated by the State superintendents. Ithacans unite in congratulating him on his election to this office.

Professor Boynton has been principal of the local High School since 1893 and has been superintendent of the schools of Ithaca for eight years. He is known to many other schools of the state as author of a successful text book on plane and solid geometry. During his principalship at the local High School, the school has had a remarkable growth and has made a steady advance.

ALEXANDER MACDONALD.

This fall has brought many new men before the public because of their skill in politics, and among them we find some of our own alumni, one of whom is the subject of this clipping from the Malone *Farmer:*

In this issue we present an excellent portrait of the young man who will bear a large part of the responsibility for the success of the Republican campaign in this county this year—the new Republican county chairman of St. Regis Falls.

Mr. Macdonald is one of the most popular of the county's young Republicans, who has proved himself an able administrator of affairs in every capacity to which he has been called. In Waverly, where he has long exercised a most influential part in political affairs, as well as in the politics of the county, the size of the Republican majorities year in and year out speaks volumes for him and his associate workers in the town and promises the best results in the larger field over which he has been placed.

ALEXANDER MACDONALD.

Mr. Macdonald is the son-in-law of Senator O'Neil and one of his most efficient political and business assistants. He is now cashier and manager of the St. Regis Falls National Bank, n which Mr. O'Neil is largely interested, and for three successive terms has been school commissioner of the second district, his present term expiring on December 31st next. He is not a candidate for re-election and was not before the Republican electors for re-nomination. He was born in Nova Scotia, but came to Boston, Mass., when about ten years of age and received his preparatory education there in the public schools and the Boston Latin School. He was graduated from Middlebury College in 1892 with the degree of A. B. and the degree of A. M. was conferred on him by his alma mater in 1899. The fall after his graduation Mr.

Macdonald came to St. Regis Falls as principal of the high school there, which position he filled with marked success until his election as school commissioner necessitated his retirement. As school commissioner his work has been marked with the very best results and the schools have improved wonderfully under his jurisdiction. Besides being cashier of the St. Regis Falls Bank, he is also treasurer of the Cascade Chair Co., which has been an important industry at that point. He enjoys a wide acquaintance in the county, is energetic, tactful and diplomatic, and will prove a harmonizer of interests in the county's political affairs.

ELLSWORTH C. LAWRENCE.

Middlebury is always glad to hear of the success of her sons, and since our last issue several of them have received honors of which any college might be proud. One of these men is Ellsworth C. Lawrence of the Class of '01 and now of Malone, N. Y. The following is a clipping from the Malone *Farmer:*

We present this week to our readers the portrait of Ellsworth C. Lawrence, who was recently appointed United States Commissioner to succeed the late Benjamin L. Wells, who made so distinguished a record in that office. Like Mr. Wells, Mr. Lawrence is a lawyer of high character and integrity, who is splendidly equipped for the position to which he has been appointed, and in the handling of cases brought before him will prove an able and judicious official. He is splendidly educated, having prepared for College at the Bristol, Vt., high school and Beeman Academy and graduated from Middlebury College in 1901. He studied law with the late Hon. John I. Gilbert, and after his admission to the bar entered into partnership with him. After Mr. Gilbert's death he succeeded to the

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practice of the firm, and about a year and a half ago the firm of Bryant & Lawrence was formed, which has since enjoyed a most satisfactory law practice.

Mr. Lawrence is an ardent Republican and was a prominent candidate for the nomination for district attorney

last year, the vote in the Malone caucus being close between him and District Attorney Genaway preceding the county convention. He is an influential member of the Young Men's Republican Club and a trustee of the Northern N. Y. Institution for Deaf Mutes. His advance in his profession has been rapid, and gratifying to his many friends in this community. Messrs. Bryant and Lawrence were both Vermont boys, who have established their homes here and thoroughly identified themselves with the best interests of Malone and Franklin county, where they have built up strong personal, professional, and political friendships.

PROGRESS ON THE PEARSONS FUND.

Endeavor to secure subscriptions amounting to $75,000 in order to secure the $25,000 offered by Dr. D. K. Pearsons has been prosecuted since Commencement. A letter to all the alumni was sent out on July 15 and brought favorable responses from 35 graduates. A further letter was issued on September 1, and in answer to this appeal 78 letters were received, enclosing subscriptions amounting to $4,368. A third letter was issued on October 20, and the total subscriptions at this writing are $85,968, or within about $14,000 of the goal.

By far the largest gift comes from Mr. A. Barton Hepburn of the Class of 1871, who has handed to the Trustees securities to the value of $30,000, thus exceeding Dr. Pearsons both in amount and in promptness of bestowment. A gift of $1,000, which will interest many of the alumni, is that of a friend in memory of Honorable Lawrence Flinn of the Class of 1863.

Friends of the College should be gratified in the large number of alumni, especially of the younger alumni, who have contributed generously in proportion to their ability, although in comparatively small amounts. Every such gift indicates loyalty and friendship for the College, and strengthens the institution greatly. Letters have been received from many who are unable to contribute, at least at this time. President Thomas has received letters from 222 graduates and former students, nearly one-third of those now living.

One or two incorrect statements have been made in Vermont papers as to the purpose of the fund. It is not solely for a Woman's Building, althongh such a building will be erected with part of the money. The fund is equally for the general endowment of the College.

It is not clear where the remaining $14,000 will come from, but in view of the great importance of closing the subscription and the fact that every dollar now means several times its value to the College, it is earnestly hoped that friends of Middlebury will co-operate to a speedy and successful issue.

THE FRESHMAN CLASS.

The entering class this year numbers seventy-five, and shows that the field from which Middlebury draws her students is steadily widening. The number of men in the class is slightly smaller than during the past few years, as is the case with nearly every college this year. But it is a class which bids

fair to make a record. The new freshman rules went into effect on the first morning and have been very successful. We shall all miss the green buttons when it comes time for the caps to be discarded. The following is the list of the class and their home addresses:

CLASS OF 1912.

MEN:

Andrus, Philip S., Enosburg Falls, Vt.
Blanchard, Millard F., Rutland, Vt.
Breitstadt, Charles A., Southold, N. Y.
Bundy, Charles W., Nashua, N. H.
English, John, East Windsor, Conn.
Goddard, Silas C., Brandon, Vt.
Gorham, Marcus F., West Rutland, Vt.
Grupe, Carl D., Willsboro, N. Y.
Hamilton, John W., Brattleboro, Vt.
Harrington, Carroll D., Warrensburg, N. Y.
Harris, Arthur W., Middlebury, Vt.
Hull, William H., New London, Conn.
Kidder, Philip E., Brookside, Vt.
King, Arthur B., West Hampton, N. Y.
Kopke, John, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Lahiff, Michael, South Williamstown, Mass.
Lane, Roger K., Bristol, Conn.
Mack, Harry W., Cornwall, Vt.
McNamara, Harry C., Valatie, N. Y.
Monroe, Wyllis M., Grenwich, Conn.
Nevling, Ai B., Clearfield, Pa.
O'Connell, Richard S., Middlebury, Vt.
O'Neill, Edward L., Portland, Me.
Overton, Clinton M., West Hampton, N. Y.
Rock, Thomas J., Ludlow, Vt.
Ryan, Edward J., East Lee, Mass.
Smith, Brooks F., Ludlow, Vt.
Taylor, George G., Granby, Mass.
Thayer, Hugh O., West Brattleboro, Vt.
Thomas, Arthur C., Hill View, N. Y.
Tracey, Earle T., Nashua, N. H.
Wray, Royal A., New York N. Y.

WOMEN:

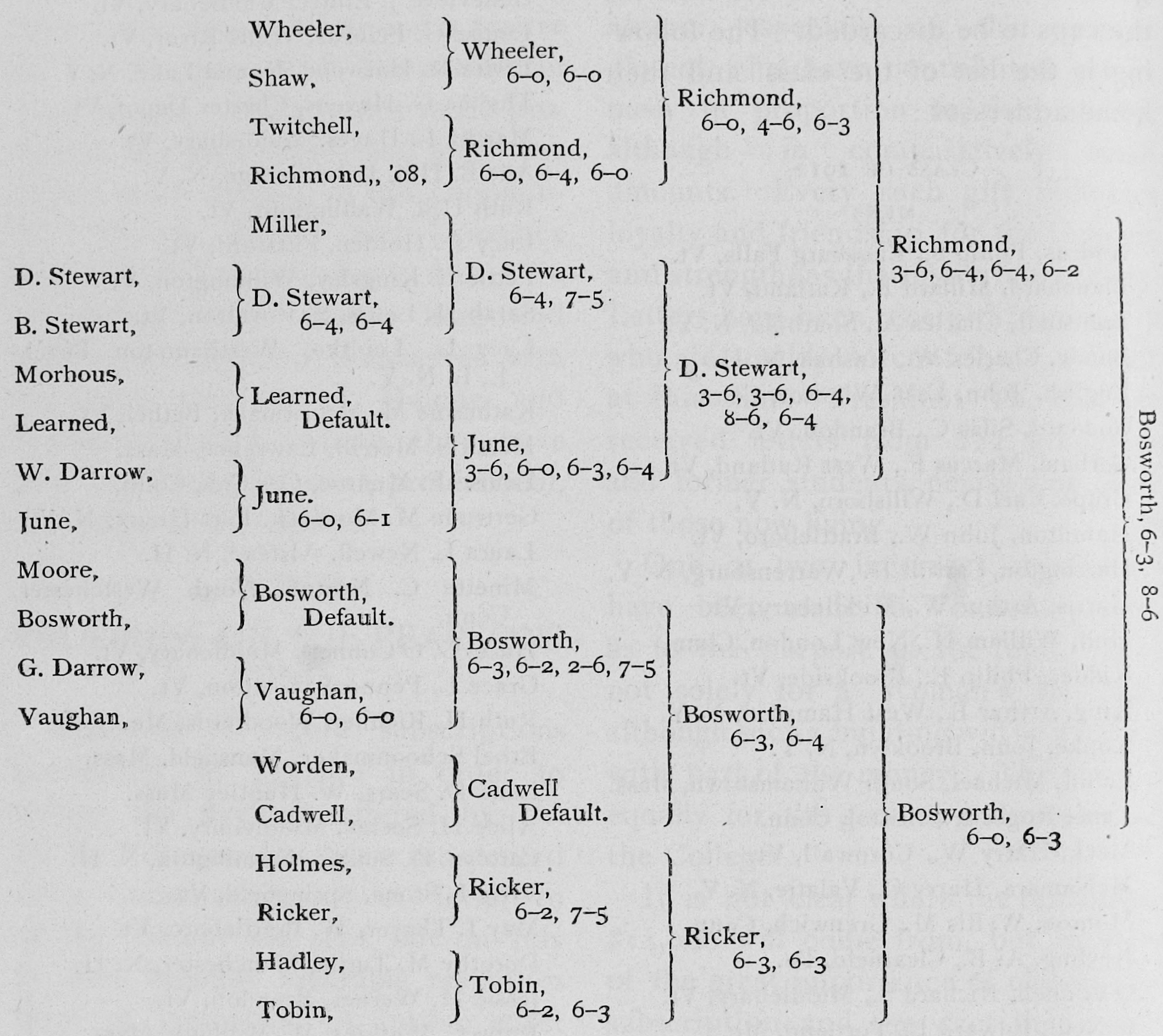
Mabel L. Agnew, Port Henry, N. Y.
Alice R. Barnum, Jericho Center, Vt.
Edith M. Bates, Rutland, Vt.
Blanche B. Bostwick, Jericho Center, Vt.
Mary E. Bresnahan, Proctor, Vt.
Eleanora S. Chesley, Epsan, N. H.
Cecil R. Childs, Homer, N. Y.
Margaret H. Croft, Waterbury, Conn.
Helen L. Crosby, Lawrence, Mass.
Kathleen V. Driscoll, Ballston Spa, N. Y.
Lou M. Dutton, Montpelier, Vt.
Marguerite A. Ellison, Farmington, N. H.
Genevieve J. Elmer, Middlebury, Vt.
Louise G. Fellows, Wells River, Vt.
Elvira R. Harwood, Round Lake, N. Y.
Thelma G. Havens, Chester Depot, Vt.
Martha L. Hayes, Middlebury, Vt.
Ada B. Hill, Lake George, N. Y.
Ruth Hill, Wallingford, Vt.
Lucy A. Holden, Pittsford, Vt.
Lettie E. Kingsley, Wilmington, Vt.
Sarah H. Lewis, S. Royalton, Vt.
Lucy L. Leidtke, Westhampton Beach, L. I., N. Y.
Katherine M. McCormack, Bethel, Vt.
Helen S. Merrill, Lawrence, Mass.
Louise F. Munroe, Cos Cob, Conn.
Gertrude M. Murdock, Port Henry, N. Y.
Laura L. Newell, Alstead, N. H.
Minette C. Norton, North Westchester, Conn.
Hazel G. O'Connell, Middlebury, Vt.
Grace L. Pennock, Grafton, Vt.
Ruth H. Richner, Woodferds, Me.
Ethel Schoonmaker, Mansfield, Mass.
Lena D. Sears, W. Huntley Mass.
Alice H. Seeley, Middlebury, Vt.
Carolyn D. Smiley, Farmington, N. H.
Vivia I. Stone, Springfield, Vt.
May I. Thayer, W. Brattleboro, Vt.
Dorothy M. Tuttle, Manchester, N. H.
Jessie M. Werner, Brandon, Vt.
Ruby C. Watkins, W. Millbury, Mass.
Lucy A. Willard, Vergennes, Vt.
Grace H. Wright, Vergennes, Vt.

ATHLETICS.

ANNUAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The tennis tournament, which was completed during Commencement week, was a very close and interesting one. There were several close and exciting matches and the final result was in doubt until the end. The committee in charge were Learned, '08, chairman; Vaughn, '08; Wheeler, '08;

Shewbrooks, '09; Twitchell, '10. There is always a great deal of interest shown in this tennis tournament and it seems to be growing each year, and everything seems to point to a College tennis team for intercollegiate matches soon. The scores of the '08 tournament were as follows:


Wheeler, Shaw. Wheeler, 6–0, 6–0
Twitchell, Richmond,, '08. Richmond, 6–0, 6–4, 6–0
Richmond, 6–0, 4–6, 6–3
Miller, D. Stewart. D. Stewart, 6–4, 6–4
D. Stewart, 6–4, 7–5
Morhous, Learned. Learned, Default.
W. Darrow, June. June, 6–0, 6–1
June, 3–6, 6–0, 6–3, 6–4
D. Stewart, 3–6, 3–6, 6–4, 8–6, 6–4
Richmond, 3–6, 6–4, 6–4, 6–2
Moore, Bosworth. Bosworth, Default.
G. Darrow, Vaughan. Vaughan, 6–0, 6–0
Bosworth, 6–3, 6–2, 2–6, 7–5
Worden, Cadwell. Cadwell, Default.
Holmes, Ricker. Ricker, 6–2, 7–5
Hadley, Tobin. Tobin, 6–2, 6–3
Ricker, 6–3, 6–3
Bosworth, 6–3, 6–4
Bosworth, 6–0, 6–3
Bosworth, 6–3, 8–6

THE FOOTBALL SEASON.

The football season has in many respects been rather unfortunate, but on the whole a very good one. We lost five good men from last year's team and, as Fisher is not playing this year, it left a number of places to fill in, and this has been a hard problem, as the entering class did not give us many football men. But several good men were developed from last year's substitutes. The schedule, being the hardest one the College ever played, proved rather hard for a team of so many new men. After two nights' practice the team opened the season with Williams at Williamstown, October 3. They played a hard, plucky game, but could not hold the heavy and well-practiced Williams team, and lost 56 to 0.

The next Saturday, October 10, they played Norwich at Northfield and in this game they showed that they could play football, but lacked experience in playing together. During the

first of the game Norwich was much superior, but after that our team kept them on the defensive. The final score was Norwich 23, Middlebury 0.

The next week was football week in Middlebury, with two home games. On Wednesday, October 14, the team showed their real strength against St. Lawrence and won 5 to 4, and on Saturday were defeated by Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 32 to 0.

On October 24 there was a trip to Middletown, Conn., where Wesleyan won from us, 32 to 7. The team played the best game they have at all, and the game was much more even than the score indicates.

The game which was scheduled to be played with Rhode Island State at Kingston, October 31, was cancelled by them, because of financial troubles, a few days before the game. The management succeeded in securing a home game for that date with the strong St. Michael's team, and the game proved to be a hard one, with the final score 6 to 0 in our favor.

On November 7 came the most important game of the season, the home game with Norwich. It was the best played game of the season and every inch of ground gained was won by hard playing. In the first half the superior weight and knowledge of the game which the Norwich team possessed secured for them two touchdowns. Both were the result of triple passes, with which Norwich has made many long gains against every one of her opponents this fall. Neither goal was kicked and the half ended with the score, Norwich 10, Middlebury 0.

The second half was but ten minutes, as the game had to be called in time for the Norwich team to catch the train. The Middlebury team played this half with more speed and power than at any other time this season and steadily carried the ball into Norwich territory. By two perfectly executed forward passes by Wray to Beane, the ball had been carried to Norwich's ten-yard line when time was called. The final score, Norwich 10, Middlebury 0.

The last game of the season was played at Amherst on November 14. Although much outweighed, Middlebury had the better of the game until her team was crippled by injuries. Chalmers kicked off to Amherst, which by a series of line plays and end runs finally made a touchdown, but failed to kick the goal. Chalmers again kicked off, but Middlebury soon recovered the ball. Then by line plunges and two forward passes to Hunt, the ball was carried to within six inches of the Amherst goal line and Stevens carried it over for a touchdown. Beane failed to kick the goal and the score stood 5 to 5. Middlebury again kicked off, but soon recovered the ball and continued to keep it in Amherst's territory until five of her team were injured; from then on Amherst made long gains, although the game was much more evenly played than the final score indicates, Amherst 51, Middlebury 5.

In one respect the season has been a valuable one. It has shown that we have here in Middlebury the true College spirit, that spirit which makes the College stand up and give to the team a hearty and sincere support, whether winning or losing.

Besides the games of the first team, the second team has played two games. The second team is excep-

tionally strong this year and in practice has often scored on the first team. The first game was with the fast Vergennes High School team at Vergennes, which resulted in a tie, 5 to 5. This was played October 10, and on October 24 there was a home game with Troy Conference Academy, and although the second team was the stronger team, by a fumble they lost the game, 7 to 5.

It has proved a marked success this year to have the second team well organized, as it has given the first team the practice needed to develop it, and in this way has helped much, and it is hoped that this fact is sufficiently established to make it a permanent thing in the future.

THE HAT SCRAP.

On the morning of the first Saturday of the term the usual hat scrap took place in front of the chapel. The numbers were equal and when lined up were seen to be a match in weight as well. The sophomores, of course, had the advantage of the experience of the year before, but one of the freshmen, Wray, jumped and caught the hat in the air before it touched the ground, and by this gave the advantage to 1912. The scrap was hard and clean and at the end the count showed that the class of 1911 had eight hands on the hat, while 1912 had seven. The following are the men who owned them:

1911.			1912.		
Bosworth,	2	hands	King,	2	hands
Peach,	2	"	Lane,	2	"
Buttolph,	1	hand	Breitstadt,	1	hand
Dale,	1	"	Monroe,	1	"
Harris,	1	"	Wray,	1	"
Sunderland,	1	"			

THE MUSICAL CLUBS.

The prospects for a successful musical season seem to be good all along the line. The new material which has shown up will more than supply the vacancies left by the graduation and withdrawal of the members of last year. The Glee Club is fortunate in having secured Professor Cunningham as trainer; and the Orchestra is as lucky in having Professor Franzen to assist it. The orchestra has felt the lack of a cello, and this lack will be met finely by Professor Franzen, who is an artist on that instrument; and where the Glee Club was weakest, Professor Cunningham will overcome that difficulty.

The determination to work, and work hard, is one of the best signs that the coming season is going to be the best in the history of the College clubs. This year the new organization advocated three years ago has finally been made effective, and the different musical clubs of the Men's College are now definitely united under the Middlebury College Musical Association. The following officers were elected: president, H. A. Severy, '09; vice-president, R. C. Ryder, '10; secretary and treasurer, R. A. Kilburn, '11. The Glee Club, leader, Arthur W. Peach, '09; assistant leader, B. S. Stewart, '11; manager, I. D. Hagar, '09; assistant manager, H. A. Burnham, '11. The new organization will give stability to the clubs and place them on an equal footing with the other associations in College. The intention is to later provide for the granting of a musical M to members.

The musical clubs have been steadily growing since the fall of 1905, when a decided impetus was given

them which has not weakened in the time intervening. The inquiries coming from different parts of the State show that there is a field open which the College clubs can fill to a decided advantage. The trips will range widely this year if there is enough time open which can be utilized for that purpose.

It is hoped that the gain will be twofold: to the College and to the members. A club making a good appearance, free from rowdyism, and playing a good program, cannot help making friends for the College, and they are just the friends that the College can make good use of, friends whose influence is wide and whose good-will works for definite results. The trips coming in the height of the social season, offer fine opportunities for good times that can be rivalled in no other field of College life.

The intention is to have a club this year which will win praise that is deserved, a good name, wide influence, and leave a name that will stand for something in the cities and towns of Vermont.

THE WOMEN'S GLEE CLUB.

The Glee Club has organized and re-elected the officers of last year, adding an assistant leader, Miss Ruth Burnham, '11. The Club is once again under the training of Mrs. Howard.

THE WOMEN'S CHORUS.

A chorus of fifty voices has been formed among the women of the College. Tennyson's "The Lady of Shalott," by Wilfred Bendall, is under preparation and Mrs. Howard is training the chorus.

A FORTY-TWO MILE TRAMP.

To one who has always lived in a section of the country where mountains are to be seen only in the imagination, or viewed in the pages of a book, an actual tramp among them affords more real pleasure than perhaps would come to one who had lived all his life in their vicinity.

So it was for the purpose of enjoying the delights of the mountains which this season of the year alone affords, and for the novelty which such a trip would possess, that the writer, in company with three other adventurous souls, started out on a forty-two mile "hike" to Northfield.

Preparations for such an undertaking were soon completed. All unnatural growths on the lower extremities were extracted, old clothes, sweaters, and slouch hats pulled on, farewells said, and we were off.

The first stage of our journey, which was to the neighboring town of Bristol, was uneventful.

Lincoln, eight miles away, was our next town. Darkness had fallen for some time before we reached the outlying houses, and the desire for a bite to eat became stronger at every step. Our natures rebelled from begging, but as our stomachs cried out for "hash," to a "hash-house" we went, which we found in the shape of a small hotel.

In reply to our request, we were informed that, as the hour was late, only a small lunch could be had. Well, if that feast is what they call a small lunch up there in the mountains, may the day soon come when we all may be there for dinner.

For me, the most interesting part of the trip was the climb and descent

of the two ranges. We reached the foot of the first range at about 9 p. m. The moon by that time had broken through the clouds, and was shining like a beacon at the top of a near-by mountain.

The road zigzagged back and forth on its way up, and for the last few hundred yards it was a straight, steep, upward climb. We all reached the top much out of breath, and after a few minutes of rest on a pile of lumber started down the other side on a run. I say on a run, for the incline was so steep that it was next to impossible to hold back.

In a remarkably short time, we were well out in the open with nothing to obscure our view of the mountains and valleys. I wish I had the power to describe that scene. It was simply wonderful. I had never seen anything like it before in my life. The mountains, bathed in the moonlight, stood sharply outlined against the sky in the crisp autumn air.

Well could we exclaim with the poet:

"The hills, rock-ribbed and ancient as the sun,
The vales stretching in pensive quietness between,
The venerable woods—rivers that move in majesty,
And the complaining brooks that make the meadows green;
And poured 'round all, Old Ocean's gray and melancholy waste,
Are but the solemn decorations all of the great tomb of man."

I think we remained gazing on that marvelous scene for nearly fifteen minutes. And as we stood there, one of our number "hallooed," and immediately the perfect stillness was broken by four distinct echoes, one following the other, the last one dying away into a whisper behind a near-by hill. We all agreed it was the best thing in the echo line we had ever heard.

Proceeding for a mile or so, we came to a large barn, and awoke the farmer to ask if we might spend the night on the hay. Permission was readily granted and, with buffalo robes and blankets, we climbed to the loft, dug holes in the hay, and tried to get to sleep. But, for some reason or other, sleep would not come, so to pass away the time we sang college songs, while the mice near by squeaked an accompaniment.

Five-thirty found us up and on our way. Apples, with a few glasses of milk to wash them down, were the extent of our breakfast. By the time the sun was up we had passed through Warren and were well on our last climb.

A fall morning like that among the hills is never to be forgotten. The mountains were ablaze with color; the hills were glistening under a heavy coat of frost, while, looking back across the valley, we saw Warren lying as in a pocket among the hills, the smoke from the chimneys rising in long, straight columns.

The inhabitants of the region were interesting. It must be that such companies as ours do not come their way very often, for the children would but catch a glimpse of us and then beat it for the house.

The farmers were built on the lean and lanky plan, while their better-halves were good and plump; by some, I believe, they are called "corn feds."

By eight o'clock our last mountain had been climbed, and from then on it was all down hill into Roxbury,

which place we reached at 9:30, nearly tired out, but after a bite to eat we set out on our last seven miles. Those last seven miles certainly were killers. Down in that part of Vermont they must grow miles! After going about a couple, we asked a man how far it was to Northfield. It was then four miles off; a few rods further on we got it as four and one-half miles. After two more had been clipped off, according to our reckoning, we learned it was from three to three and one-half, while later on we got it down as low as two, two and one-half, to three miles. But we finally got there, tired and foot-sore, yet in time to give the football team a yell as they got off from the train. We also saw the Middlebury-Norwich game, on which subject, I dare say, the least said the better.

Now some may think that we were foolish to walk. Well, perhaps we were, but we had a mighty good time, saw a lot of beautiful country, got a lot of College spirit, and have something to think of in years to come.

D. M. S., '09.

FRATERNITIES.

DELTA UPSILON.

The Delta Upsilon boatride of 1908, which occurred on Saturday, June 20, will long be remembered as one of the most successful events of its kind ever enjoyed by this chapter. The party, about twenty couples strong, drove to Vergennes in the early morning, whence they went by boat to Westport, N. Y. Taking the Champlain Transportation Company's "Vermont" from Westport, they went down to Fort Ticonderoga and back, partaking of luncheon on the boat. Following dinner at the Westport Inn, dancing was enjoyed for a few hours in the evening, after which the party returned to Vergennes and thence to Middlebury, having spent a day which was delightful in every respect, even as regarded weather.

Twenty-two members of the local chapter returned to College this fall.

A very successful dance, chaperoned by Mrs. Kendall, was given in the fraternity rooms on Friday evening, October 9.

The fifty-third annual initiation of the Middlebury chapter, followed by the annual banquet at the Addison, was held on Friday evening, October 16. The following are the names of the initiates, all of whom are members of the Class of 1912: Charles Adams Breitstadt, Southold, L. I.; Arthur Burt King, Westhampton Beach, L. I.; Roger Kilbourne Lane, Bristol, Conn.; Willys Merritt Monroe, Greenwich, Conn.; Arthur Charles Thomas, Warrensburg, N. Y., and Royal Alexander Wray, New York City.

Ross C. Holt, '09, and Guy M. Wright, '10, went as delegates to the 74th annual convention of Delta Upsilon, held with the Swarthmore Chapter October 22–24.

S. J. Cutting, Michigan, '06, called recently. Cutting is enjoying an excellent patronage as representative of Burr, Patterson & Co., fraternity jewelers, of Detroit, Mich.

Three men returned this fall after a year's absence from College. They are R. M. Coleman, ex-'09, F. A. Coates, ex-'10, and F. C. Ryder, ex-'10.

The Chapter has been fortunate in receiving recent visits from several of the alumni, among whom have been M. L. Lawrence, '59, E. B. Clift, '90, E. M. Roscoe, '96, L. A. Brown, '97, W. H. Botsford, '98, J. E. Stetson, '00, B. L. Stafford, '01, L. R. Noble, '03, A. W. Eddy, '04, R. W. Jocelyn, '04, Angus Burt, ex-'06, W. L. Barnum, '07, R. I. Haseltine, '07, E. L. Eddy, '08, and George H. Learned, '08.

The members of the sophomore delegation entertained certain of the members of Vermont Alpha of Pi Beta Phi at the rooms on Saturday evening, October 24. The function, a dance, was chaperoned by Mrs. Crane.

CHI PSI.

F. A. Farnsworth, ex-'09, sailed for Europe September 26, returning to his college work the last of November.

Fred A. Bowen, '11, was called away from College early in the term by the death of his father.

On October 19 the Chi Psi fraternity initiated the following men from the Class of 1912: Michael J. Lahiff, Adams, Mass; Edward O'Neil, Portland, Me.; Earl T. Tracey, Nashua, N. H.; and George G. Taylor, Granby, Mass.

On October 31 a Hallowe'en party was held at the Chi Psi lodge, which was appropriately decorated for the occasion. Thirty-four persons participated in the "stunts" of Hallowe'en. Mesdames Farnsworth and Ostrander acted as patronesses.

The Chi Psi fraternity held its sixty-fifth annual commemoration banquet on the evening of November 16, at the Addison House. A large number of alumni members were present, as well as guests from other New England Alphas.

A College smoker was held at the Chi Psi lodge on the evening of October 9, just previous to the football game with Norwich University.

DELTA KAPPA EPSILON.

Rev. John W. Chapman, '79, of Alaska, is in town.

Dr. Lewis Hemenway, Omicron, Mich., visited us recently.

Egbert C. Hadley has returned to College after a two months' illness.

Alpha Alpha entertained with a Hallowe'en party at the Chapter house October 31.

Fred C. Miner, M. D., who has charge of a private hospital at Flint, Mich., was a recent guest at the house.

The freshman delegation of D. K. E. are Charles Wright Bundy, Keene, N. H.; John Kopke, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Thomas Joseph Rock, Ludlow, Vt.; Ai Boynton Nevling, Clearfield, Pa.; Carroll Dwight Harrington, Warrensburg, N. Y.

Dr. John A. Mead, '64, has been been elected Lieutenant-Governor of the State. Julius A. Wilcox, '00, has been chosen reporter of the House of Representatives, and Homer L. Skeels, '98, has been chosen clerk of the Senate.

Leonard D. Smith, '09, is our delegate to the annual convention of D. K. E., to be held at Hartford, Conn. The committee in charge has planned the largest fraternity convention ever held. The opening busi-

ness meeting, convention, picture and theatre party will be held at Hartford, the smoker will be held at New Haven with Phi (the Yale Chapter.) The convention will close in New York city, and the closing banquet will be given in the grand ball room of the Waldorf-Astoria. The toast master will be Charles P. Taft. Among the speakers will be Senators Beveridge and Hardigee, Bishop Johnson, and Victor H. Metcalf, Secretary of the Navy, and President Roosevelt will either be present or send his greeting.

DELTA KAPPA RHO.

The close of last term was rendered memorable by a very pleasant boat ride. A crowd of about forty drove to Vergennes and took the steamer there for Basin Harbor, where they had dinner. The afternoon was spent on the lake, returning to Vergennes for supper at eight o'clock. All returned to Middlebury by team.

Fifteen members of the fraternity are back this year.

Wayland Walch, '11, was called home a few weeks after the term began, but will be back later.

R. R. Twitchell, '10, is teaching in Montgomery, Vt., this year and will re-enter College next year.

The fraternity gave a smoker to the College November 6, the night before the Norwich game.

The following men are the initiates from the Class of 1912: Millard Blanchard of Rutland, Vt.; John English of East Windsor, Conn.; Brooks Smith of Ludlow, Vt.

THE COMMONS CLUB.

The club has enrolled the following men: D. H. T. Brooks, '11, Ballston Spa, N. Y.; M. F. Gorham, West Rutland, Vt.; C. D. Groupe, Willsboro, N. Y.; A. W. Harris, Middlebury, Vt.; P. E. Kidder, Brookside, Vt.; H. C. McNamara, Valatie, N. Y.; C. N. Overton, West Hampton, Long Island, N. Y.

The Commons Club has recently moved into its new quarters, the former English room in Painter Hall.

ALPHA CHI.

Alpha Chi has rented a house on South street for chapter rooms.

Prudence Stickney, '05, Helen Miller, ex-'10, and Elizabeth Ryder, ex-'10, have recently visited College.

Christel Cooledge, '11, has been forced to leave College on account of ill health.

Edith Fay, '09, entertained a few friends in the chapter rooms Friday evening, October 23.

PI BETA PHI.

Vermont Alpha of Pi Beta Phi entertained the members of the faculty and the freshman women at a reception in the Pharetra Saturday evening, September 26.

Miss Winifred Hall, ex-'10, is teaching in Sheldon, Vt.

On Saturday evening, October 17, Miss Getman gave a dance in the Pharetra, in honor of her guest, Miss Mills of Gloversville, N. Y. Mrs. Kendall and Mrs. Caswell chaperoned.

Mrs. Jocelyn, (Bertha Ranslow, '94), was in town recently.

Miss Goldia Monroe, '10, has announced her engagement to Mr. Harold Leach, '10.

The annual initiation of Vermont

Alpha was held Friday, November 6. The initiates were Alice Weed Barnum, Blanche Belle Bostwick, Lou May Dutton, Genevieve Isabelle Elmer, Thelma Gertrude Havens, Louise Frances Monroe, Hazel Gertrude O'Connell, Ruth Hamblin Richner, Alice Helen Seely, Dorothy Morton Tuttle. The banquet was held at the Addison House, November 7.

LOYAL LEAGUE.

Miss Isabelle Darrow, ex-'10, is teaching in South Hero, Vt., and will re-enter College next term.

The members of the Loyal League were at home to the girls of '12 from four to six on October 2.

The Loyal League and a number of the girls of '12 drove to Cornwall on October 22, where a pleasant evening was spent at the home of Miss Kathleen Foote.

THE CLASS OF 1908.

Miss Buttolph, at home, Middlebury, Vt.

Miss Markolf, at home, W. Rutland, Vt.

Miss Smith, at home, W. Rutland, Vt.

Miss Chaffee, teaching in South Bellows Falls, Vt.

Miss Fuller, teaching in Schenevus, N. Y.

Miss Kendall, teaching in Bethel, Vt.

Miss Powell, teaching in Waterbury, Vt.

Miss Ward, teaching in Warrensburg, N Y.

Mr. Bailey, W. P. I., Worcester, Mass.

Mr. Carlson, with Electric Co., Middlebury, Vt.

Mr. Carson, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass.

Mr. Duff, at home, Middlebury, Vt.

Mr. Eddy, teaching in New Haven, Vt.

Mr. Farr, Salem Depot, N. H.

Mr. Gage,——— ——

Mr. Hayford, teaching in Syracuse, N. Y.

Mr. Holmes, principal of High School, Hyde Park, Mass.

Mr. June, business, 503 A. Ave, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Mr. Learned, principal of High School, Hoosick Falls, N. Y.

Mr. Lovejoy, principal of High School, W. Rutland, Vt.

Mr. Manchester, teaching in New Jersey.

Mr. Pettengill, Yale Law School, P. O. Box 943, Yale Station, New Haven, Conn.

Mr. Richmond, Rumsey Hall, Cornwall, Conn.

Mr. Robinson, at home, Ticonderoga, N. Y.

Mr. Rye, teaching in Randolph, Vt.

Mr. Severance, General Theological Seminary, New York.

Mr. Stewart, M. I. T., Boston, Mass.

Mr. Vaughan, Box 525, Findlay, O.

Mr. Wheeler, M. I. T., Boston, Mass.

Mr. Winslow, teaching in Michigan Military Academy, Orchard Lake, Mich.

Mr. Wood, Theological Seminary, Hamilton, N. Y.

ALUMNI NOTES.

[The alumni are again reminded that the success of this department depends on their co-operation in giving us notes. All communications should be addressed to "THE MIDDLEBURY CAMPUS."]

'46. Senator J. W. Stewart was recently elected a director of the Central Vermont R. R.

'59. M. L. Severance, after a few years of retirement, has again entered upon a pastorate, this time at Lowell, Vt.

'61. Rev. S. B. Partridge returned from Swatow, China, where he has spent his life as a missionary of the Baptist Church, in June last, and has made his home in Hamilton, N. Y., where he expects to remain. He has written: "I shall certainly improve my first opportunity to visit Middlebury and pay my respects in person. My interest in Middlebury College, which did so much for me during the years

from 1857 to 1861, has never waned, but has deepened with the added years."

'68. Oscar D. Scott of Texarkana, Ark., was on the point of starting for Commencement last June, when he was taken quite seriously ill. A message during the summer spoke of his improvement, although he had retired from the active practice of the law.

'74. The Rev. C. C. Gove, rector of the St. Michael's Episcopal Church of Oakfield, N. Y., recently officiated at the marriage of the Rev. Elliot Field, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of the same place, and Miss Sara Root, a member of Mr. Field's church, using the Episcopal service. The rite was solemnized in the Presbyterian Church, which was crowded to its limit.

'88. Rev. Edward J. Klock closed his pastorate with the Congregational Church of North Stonington, Conn., on the last Sunday in October. He had been minister of the church over eight years, during which time the church property has been much improved, the parsonage grounds increased by two acres, and $20,000 added to the church fund. The Westerly (R. I.) *Sun* says in connection with his retirement: "He was the trusted friend and adviser of the late Henry Dwight Wheeler, who placed large responsibilities upon him in connection with the Wheeler school and library, and for the four years previous to his death practically put the entire charge of the school in his hands. Outside of his immediate parish, he has been in touch with many community interests, which will feel the loss of his activity and influence."

'94. Dr. H. H. Seely of Richmond Vt., has been appointed vice-president of the Chittenden County Medical Assoication.

'97. Miss Harriet Gerould has been appointed Director of the Domestic Science work in the schools of Los Angeles, Cal., and has already begun her duties.

'00. A. B. Willmarth has recently resigned his position as principal of the Bennington, (Vt.), High School, and will again engage in graduate study.

'04. Alice Brainerd is teaching in Brookline, Mass.

'04. Harry F. Markolf graduated from Harvard Medical School last June and is now in the Hartford City Hospital, Hartford, Conn.

'05. Harry S. Fisher is teaching in Highland Falls Academy, Highland Falls, N. Y.

'05. H. H. Holt, Oxford '08, is in the Department of History at the University of Wisconsin.

'05. Fannie Milliken has given up her school in Rutland, Vt., and is teaching in Great Falls, Montana.

'07. Agnes Murdoch is teaching in Windsor, Vt.

'07. E. M. Gove is now teaching in Cincinnati, Ohio.

'07. Miss Mabel Stevenson is teaching in Great Barrington, Mass.

'07. Kathleen Adams is teaching in the High School of Whitman, Mass.

'07. Chester M. Walch, Gino A. Ratti, and Joseph McCormack intend to study in France next year.

'07. Miss Verna Child and Mr. Paul Hawkins, Harvard '07, were married at Fairpoint September 10. Cecile Child Allen, '01, was the mat-

ron of honor. The attendants were Beatrice (Miner) Briggs, '07, Minnie Burditt, ex-'07, Grace Buttolph, '08, Mabel Wales, '09.

'08. Married, at the home of the bride's parents, in Enosburgh Fall, Vt., July 23, 1908, Eugene L. Eddy and Miss Jessie Carpenter, ex-'08.

NON-GRADUATE NOTES.

Ex-'49. James J. H. Gregory of Marblehead, Mass., has been one of the contributors to the Pearsons Fund. He writes: "I wonder if Farnsworth carried over into his old age any of that happy, cheerful look and elastic step which characterized him when a student? I recall, also, Jeremiah Eames Rankin, afterwards so distinguished. He, Case, and Blanchard boarded themselves in College at a cost probably of not over fifty cents each per week. Meats of all kinds were three cents per pound, with the exception of Thanksgiving, when turkeys crept up to six cents per pound. I purchased a live fowl for six cents,—not that per pound, but the entire animal, feathers and all. A dressed fowl brought twelve cents. Wood was $1.60 per cord delivered; eggs eight cents per dozen; butter twelve cents per pound, and apples were twenty cents per bushel at all seasons. About all the orchards were natural fruit, with not one variety in a hundred eatable. Labor was seventy-five cents per day." He recalls also the fact that Martin Freeman, a colored man, one of his classmates, was almost the first negro to graduate from a New England College. Another of his classmates was Marcus Carleton, a missionary in India for over forty years, who co-operated with Mr. Gregory in making changes of great benefit in the agriculture of India, receiving the special thanks of the government of their province and an offer of a salary of $300 a month, which was declined with tbanks. Mr. Gregory writes feelingly of the recent death of his life-long friend, Carleton.

Ex-'59. Rev. Edwin Johnson Thompson, D. D., late of Independence, Oregon, died in January, 1907 This information comes from his grandson, Edwin Fortmiller, Albany, Oregon.

Ex-'87. The address of welcome in behalf of the alumni at the induction of President Garfield of Williams College on October 7 was delivered by the Rev. John Sheridan Zelie, D. D., who took the first half of his course at Middlebury with the Class of '87. It was one of the happiest addresses of the day and was enthusiastically received. Dr. Zelie said afterwards to President Thomas that the best teaching he had ever received in his life was given him at Middlebury by Professor Eaton.

Ex-'08. Pierre Darrow, who has been teaching in the Philippines for the past two years, will return to College next year.

Ex-'09. Miss Theodora Crane is teaching in Ballston Spa, N. Y.

Ex-'09. Gideon Norton has entered Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind.

Ex-'10. Helen Miller, Mae Morrill, and Elizabeth Ryder are teaching this year. Ruth Hawley has entered Smith College.

Ex-'11. Marjorie Thomas has entered Simmons College.

Ex-'11. Lillian Welch is teaching in Amherst, Mass.

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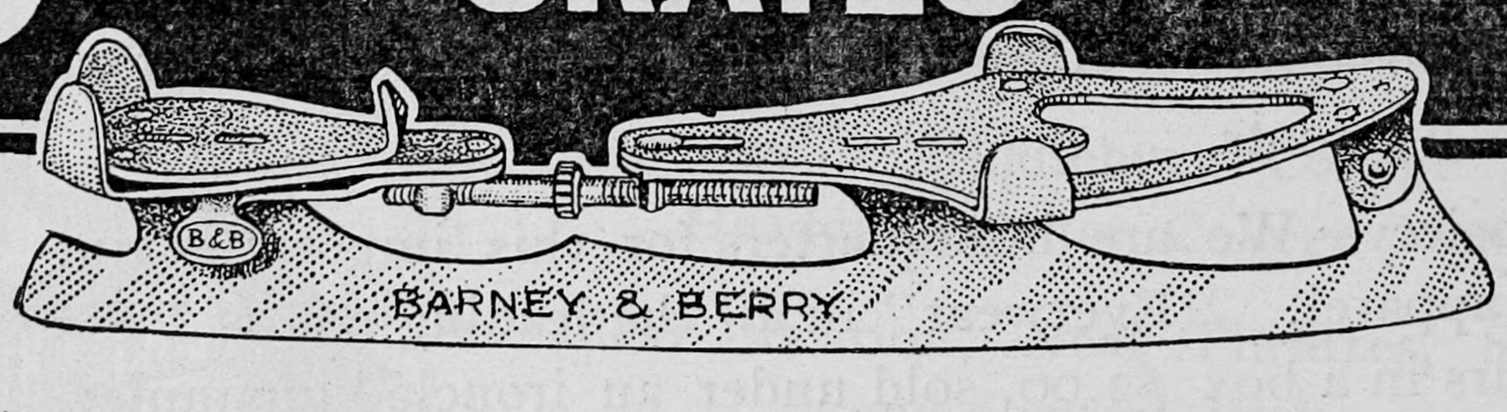

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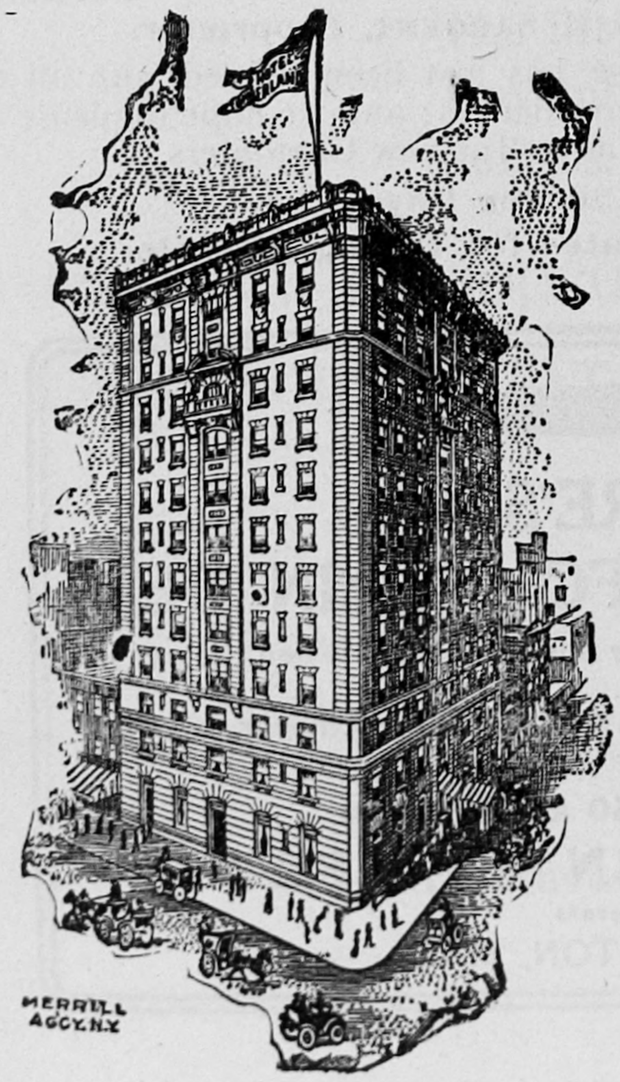

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